

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H.4017**

(Doc. No. 2452sj05.doc)

TO:	The Honorable Ronald P. Townsend, Chairperson, House Education and Public Works Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
ANALYSTS:	Bryce Wilson		
DATE:	May 11, 2005	SBD:	2005468

AUTHOR:	Representative F. N. Smith	PRIMARY CODE CITE:	59-101-430
SUBJECT:	Stipend to Collegiate Football and Basketball Players		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost to Federal and/or Other Funds (See Below)

BILL SUMMARY:

This Bill would require payment of a monthly stipend of \$350 per month to college or university football and basketball players during their respective seasons.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Commission on Higher Education (CHE) estimates the impact of this Bill to be \$1,700,000 annually. There are 5 football programs and 21 basketball programs in our public colleges. This estimate is based on the national average of team sizes as reported by the NCAA and approximate months in the seasons. It is assumed Athletic Department funds would be used for such stipends.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

According to CHE NCAA rules prohibit amateur players from being paid stipends. Enactment of this Bill would place players and teams in jeopardy of losing NCAA standing.

Approved by:



Don Addy
Assistant Director, Office of State Budget